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Application No.:	10/038,185	Confirmation No.:	7245
Applicant(s):	Mathis, James Earl	Examiner:	Sing, Simon P.
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.